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U.S. Patent No. 6,107,734;

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Applicants note that the International Search Report lists U.S. Patent No. 6,566,806 B1 as a family member of EP 109 8 3 76, and U.S. Patent No. 6,472,817 B1 as a family member of WO 00/70690, and U.S. Patent No. 6,469,437 B1 and U.S. Patent Publication No. 2002/176992 as family members of U.S. Patent No. 6,420,031, and U.S. Patent Publication No. 2004/016119 as a family member of WO 2004/055897 A2.

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Copies of the above-noted documents, except for U.S. Patents and U.S. Patent Publications, are enclosed together with a duly completed Form PTO-1449. The Examiner is accordingly requested to consider each of these documents, and to make them of record in this application by initialing in the appropriate spaces on the Form-1449. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner include a copy of the initialed Form PTO-1449 with the next communication from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

Further to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's decision to waive the requirement under 37 C.F.R 1.98 (a)(2)(i), copies of the U.S. patents and U.S. published patent applications are not enclosed herewith. However, if any copies are needed, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned.

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